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FITZJOHN'S
FESTIVE ONLINE AUCTION
Fabulous gifts and vouchers donated by local businesses
to help fundraise for the school. PLEASE BID GENEROUSLY

NEW items added

Click to bid!

Bah Humbug!

We have a frustratingly large amount of Covid (or suspected) cases at the moment with 5 staff Members at various stages of incarceration. On Thursday we had 9 staff members off with various bugs!

If your child has a fever then please do not send them to school. If your child tests positive for Covid then please keep them home for 3 days after the date of the test or until they are 100% better.



Happy Hanukah

Wishing our Jewish community a happy and peaceful Hanukah!
Chag urim sameach !

FITZJOHN'S CHRISTMAS FAIR
Friday 15th December 2.45pm

Games * Arts & Crafts * Face Painting
Cakes * Photo Booth
Food * Bar

Online Auction NOW OPEN!

FESTIVE HAMPERS RAFFLE
Donated by parents and local businesses

David Lloyd CLUBS, EVERY MAN, THE HAMPSTEAD BUTCHER & PROVISION, WOLF & LAM, Shimi Alkabetz, HAPPY RETURNS, appi, ARTICHOKE, Louis, Oddono's gelati, silverberry, VAKRA, Walking on Clouds, MAZAL, Linor Crystal Healing, vasilena, UCS, elements, HAMPSTEAD SEAFOODS, Active, ART & -SWI, Nitzan Yoga, SUSAN WAINWRIGHT, montadito, snappy snaps, photo:sign:penetration

Sharing our Music
Well done KS2 and Ezra for such a wonderful performance yesterday.
Join Y1 and Y2 in the hall at 9.15am next Thursday 14 December where they will be sharing some of their music learning. It should last no more than 30 minutes.
Nursery and Reception will sing some of the songs they have learned at 2.15pm on Tuesday 19 December.

Attendance for the week Our target is 95%+		Parent Donations															
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FITZJOHN'S CHRISTMAS FAIR



FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER, 2.45PM

Our Festive Hampers Raffle is back!

Please could you DONATE NEW/AS NEW ITEMS:

- ★ Toys, games, puzzles, gadgets (NO books please)
- ★ Arts & crafts, activity books
- ★ Fancy toiletries (bath bombs, face masks, hand creams, scented candles etc)
- ★ Boxes of chocolates and candy
- ★ Wines and alcoholic drinks
- ★ Jams, spreads, oils, sauces, honey etc
- ★ Baking kits (cupcake sets, cookie cutters etc)
- ★ Anything you would be happy to get in a festive hamper!

All Items should be NEW or AS NEW condition.

PLEASE DO NOT BUY! Give away / regift any unwanted or unused items that you have at home.

This is about COMMUNITY SHARING ❤️

Collection at the gate

by the office



Join us on





KENTISH TOWN CITY FARM

Christmas Fayre

Sunday 10th December • 12pm-4pm

Entry £1 adults • 50p children (cash/cards)

with Santa's Grotto

Mulled wine & hot chocolate • soup & hotdogs • cakes & bakes • animal handling • live music • arts & crafts inc pottery, silk scarf dyeing • raffle and lucky dip

• homemade produce:
jams, chutneys &
homemade gifts

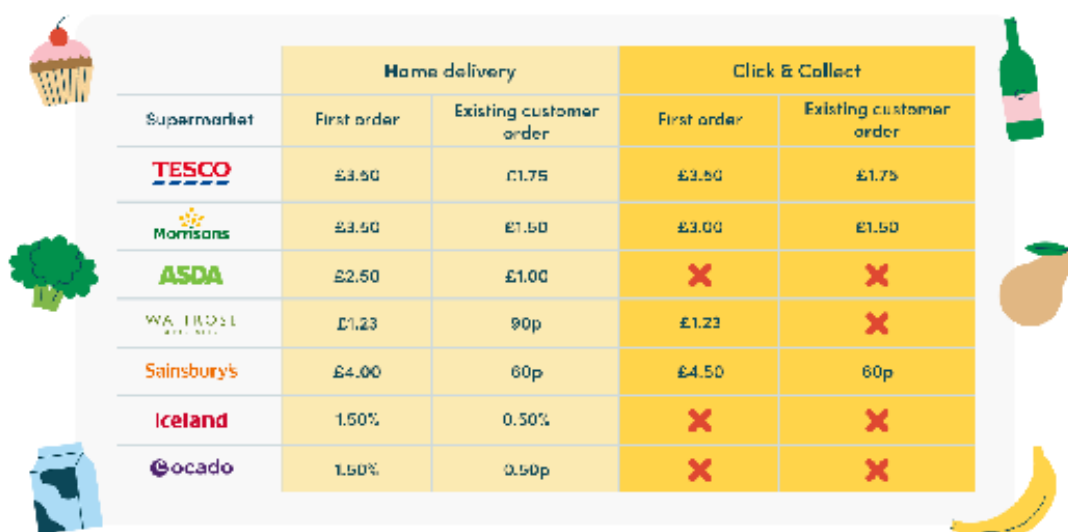


Kentish Town City Farm, 1
Cressfield Close, Kentish Town,
NW5 4BN • 020 7916 5421
www.ktcityfarm.org.uk

This week in class	
Nursery	This week we read 'We're going to find the monster'. We were inspired to create our own Bear hunt/Monster stories. Children created stories such as, we're going on a panda hunt, we're going on a unicorn hunt and we're going on a wolf hunt'. Nursery thought of fantastic adjectives for their story, we crossed grassy mountains, hot lava volcanos and green snow! We've started learning Christmas songs in preparation for our Festive sing- a-long. We have also been busy making Christmas cards, which we'll post next week. We can't wait to celebrate Chanukah with our Jewish families next Wednesday. We are also excited about our very first trip to the theatre on Thursday. We've had a lot of sickness in Nursery so we're wishing our friends
Reception	Reception worked really hard this week to learn their assembly. They were proud to show all their learning this term, and particularly enjoyed sharing the poems and songs. We learnt three new digraphs this week- 'sh', 'th' and 'ng'. This meant we set up a shoe shop in the classroom. The children loved pricing the shoes, measuring each others feet, and then selling shoes and writing receipts. Each of our digraph has a phrase- can they remember the three? We learnt two new tricky words this week- 'he' and 'she'. In maths we have been learning one less. We sung the 5 current buns song and enjoyed acting it out ourselves. Friday afternoon we learnt a bit about Chanukah, and made some cards for our Mums and Dads. There will
Class 1	This week in literacy the children have created their own version of the story 'Lost in the Toy Museum'. They have renamed the story 'Lost in Fitzjohn's primary school' and have changed the locations and characters within their writing. They have drawn some lovely pictures of various locations around the school and have taken great care with their writing. In maths we have focused on fact families and writing eight number sentences from a part-whole/bar model. In PSHE we have discussed and done some work on mental wellbeing and emotions using our Zones of Regulation. Throughout the week Year 1 have been working incredibly hard on our Nativity show. They have sung their little hearts out during rehearsals and we look forward to you watching us next week.
Class 2	Baubles, singing and acting has been the focus in Year 2 this week. We've all been super resilient when dealing with our temporary new director Rob! (We are looking forward to Janie coming back when normality will resume!) We look forward to sharing our version of the nativity with parents on Tuesday at 2pm.
Class 3	It's been a busy old week in Y3. We have been focusing on our 2, 5 and 10 times multiplication facts in maths. In literacy we began our work looking at the legend of George and the Dragon. In science we designed our own sunglasses and hats to protect us from the sun. On top of all of this we were brilliant in our performance in the KS2 Concert.
Class 4	Year 4 have had a festive week. We have spent time rehearsing for the Winter Concert and all performed brilliantly on Thursday. We have started decorating the classroom with the arrival of our class Christmas tree. More decorations are yet to come! We have also had fun learning about Chanukah and the traditions surrounding this festival. In Maths, we have learnt the finger trick for the 9 times table and have used this knowledge to answer some complex reasoning problems. In Literacy, we have continued learning about the possessive and omissive apostrophe. In PSHE, we have learnt the importance of covering your mouth when you cough and sneeze. We created colourful and informative posters explaining how this helps prevent the spread of infection.
Class 5	This week, Class 5 has learned in Maths how to compare and order fractions as well as add and subtract fractions with the same and different denominators. In English, we continued reading A Christmas Carol, planning and writing our own detailed descriptions of Victorian England. In Science, we investigated whether materials were soluble or insoluble, by testing if they dissolve in water. In Geography, Class 5 located physical geographical features on the atlas and labelled them on a map.
Class 6	Our first fractions topic culminated in children using and applying their knowledge in solving multi-step written problems involving the addition and subtraction of fractions, including improper fractions. In our Literacy topic, we started to create our own 'Kiplingesque' story based upon his works - including talking animals with human characteristics. In Science, we considered the conditions under which micro-organisms flourish: we performed a dough-proving experiment using yeast, to test our hypothesis and our discussions brought us to the important topic of kitchen hygiene and food safety. In History, we considered 'key turning points' in WW2 and their relative impact on the war itself and indeed our post-war world. Children researched and discussed various events such as 'The Battle of the Bulge', VE Day and the dropping of atomic weapons onto cities in Japan. In R.E., we considered our concept of 'Prophecy' from the Christian point of view and looked at events in the bible - including the nativity and the story surrounding Jesus' birth.

Turn your weekly shopping into BIG donations for our school

No matter who you shop with, or how you shop,
you can now raise FREE MONEY for Fitzjohn's!



Supermarket	Home delivery		Click & Collect	
	First order	Existing customer order	First order	Existing customer order
TESCO	£3.50	£1.75	£3.50	£1.75
Morrisons	£3.50	£1.50	£3.00	£1.50
ASDA	£2.50	£1.00	×	×
WALFORDS	£1.23	90p	£1.23	×
Sainsbury's	£4.00	60p	£4.50	60p
Iceland	1.50%	0.50%	×	×
ocado	1.50%	0.50p	×	×

Minimum spend requirements apply. Full retailer T&Cs apply. Donation rates may change from time to time, rates above were correct as of 18/08/2023.

Raise a donation every time you shop with your supermarket

Last year we raised close to £1,000 just from
parents using easyfundraising for their online
shopping. It takes a couple of minutes to set-up,
and that's it!

These donations really help us,
so it would be great if you could
take a moment to get started:
[easyfundraising for Fitzjohn's](#)
Thank you!



**URGENT CHRISTMAS APPEAL FROM CAMDEN FOODBANK
PLEASE HELP US TO FEED ADULTS & CHILDREN IN FOOD POVERTY**

What food is needed and why?

Camden Foodbank make up longlife emergency food parcels to support local people in food crisis. In order to make up well balanced food packages we need any of the items listed below:

Targeted food needed by Camden Foodbank at Christmas time:

Tinned Meat	Tea/Coffee	Longlife Juice
Tinned Fish	Sugar	Longlife Milk
Tinned Fruit	Cereal	Cooking Oil
Tinned Tomatoes	Baked Beans	Shampoo
Pasta Sauce	Christmas present for Children	Shower Gel/Soap
Pasta/Rice	Christmas Biscuits	Toothbrush
Washing up Liquid	Christmas Sweets	Toothpaste
Washing Powder		Toilet Paper

What are the different ways you can donate food to help local people at Christmas?

- I. Purchase targeted food listed above and Deliver in person.
- II. Purchase targeted food listed above and Send through Internet shopping.

How to donate money?

INDIVIDUAL GIVING THROUGH JUST GIVING for Camden Foodbank click on <https://checkout.justgiving.com/c/3445418>
100% of your donation will go directly to Camden Foodbank. We would be grateful if you can also select **GIFT AID** which will increase your donation

FOR CHEQUES/DIRECT DEBITS AND OTHER WAYS OF GIVING <https://camden.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/>

EVERY £40 RECEIVED IN CASH DONATIONS PAYS FOR ONE EMERGENCY PACKAGE*



A well balanced 3-day emergency for 1 person could mirror the photo above. (Cost per package may vary according to availability*).

Where can the food be delivered to and what times? *

Deliver Food in Person:

Day	Time	Address
Tuesday & Friday	11.30 am to 3.00 pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD.
Wednesday	5.00 pm to 7.00 pm	Camden Town Methodist Church, Wesley Hotel Camden Town, 89 Plender Street, London NW1 0JN.
Saturday	10.00 am to 12.00 pm	Camden Town Methodist Church, Wesley Hotel Camden Town, 89 Plender Street, London NW1 0JN.
Sunday	10.00 am to 12.00 pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD.

Send by Internet Shopping:

Any Tuesday or Friday 11.30 am to 2.00 pm Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD.

Camden Foodbank is closed for Christmas from 23rd December 2023 and open again 9th January 2024. *



Camden foodbank
14 Pratt Mews
London NW1 0AD
07871 248704 (Food deliveries only)
info@camden.foodbank.org.uk
www.camden.foodbank.org.uk
Registered Charity in
England & Wales (1084806)



Camden Food Bank are very grateful for your harvest donations
We will be collecting for the Camden Food Bank on Monday 18 December. See the next page for information. You can bring items that they are suggesting in on Monday 18th or early morning Tuesday 19 December and they will be collected by the food bank on the morning of 19/12/23. A list of requested items is above.



DEAR PARENTS

Protect your child Against Childhood Disease's

FLU, Teenager Boosters, HPV

If you wish to consent for the immunisations please scan the QR code

- MMR
- Reception – Year 11 Childhood Nasal Flu
- Year 8 HPV Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Immunisation
- Year 9 Td/IPV & MenACWY (Teenage Booster)



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Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 12 December Y1/2 2pm Baubles! - Christmas Play to parents
Wednesday 13 December Y1 & Y2 Bloomsbury Theatre
Thursday 14 December 9.15am KS1 Winter Concert
Thursday 14 December Nur/Rec Little Angel
Friday 15 December 14.45 Christmas Fair
Monday 18 December Y6 War Rooms
Tuesday 19 December 2.15pm N/R Singing
Wednesday 20 December Magic Shows & parties
Thursday 21 December School Closes 13.30

Reception Assembly

Thank you to Reception for sharing their learning in assembly this morning.
This concludes the assembly programme for this term

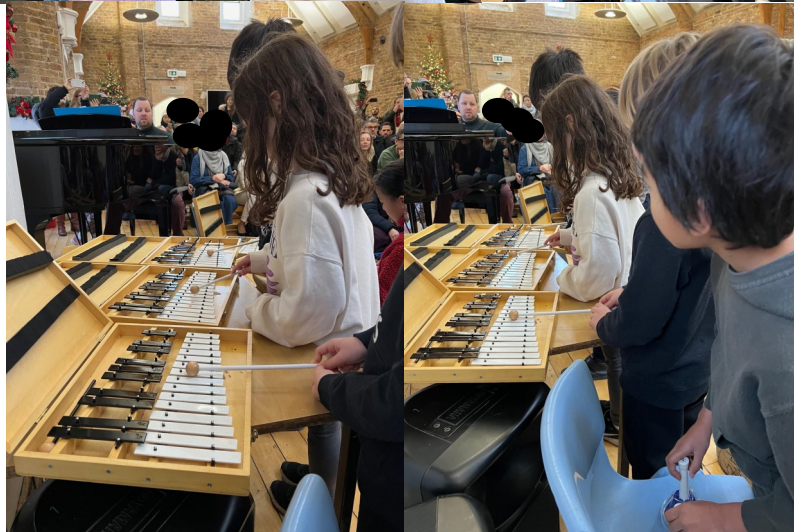
Welcome

Welcome to our new chef Sheulie who has been cooking up a storm over the last two weeks.

KS2 Concert

Well done Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y5 for your wonderful concert on Thursday morning. I know that I wasn't the only one shedding a tear. A huge thank you to Ezra for teaching them and for putting the concert together.

We would also like to thank The FSA without whom we would not be able to afford Ezra and the new ukuleles.



**PRIMARY SCHOOL
T-SHIRT & HOODIE SALE!**

FITZJOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL HAS CREATED A NEW SITE TO BUY SCHOOL LOGO T-SHIRTS, HOODIES AND MORE FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS. THE FITZJOHNSNW3 LOGO REPRESENTS OUR COMMUNITY AND AREA, AND IS IN AN EXACT REPLICA OF THE STREET SIGN DIRECTLY BESIDE THE SCHOOL ENTRANCE. THE HISTORY OF THIS LOGO IS UNIQUE TO OUR LOCATION AND HISTORY. OTHER LOGOS AVAILABLE ARE THE HOUSE SIGNS OF AIR, WATER, EARTH AND FIRE AND THE SCHOOL BUILDING LOGO.

<https://shop.spreadshirt.co.uk/FitzjohnsNW3>

Great Christmas or Hanukah gifts

Click here to be taken to the site.

T-SHIRTS: BETWEEN £12 - £17
HOODIES: £27 - £37
DEPENDENT ON SIZE
ALL ITEMS CAN BE PERSONALISED



Free Money!

You may all already know that everyone from Reception to Year 6 is now entitled for Free School Meals as these are being

funded by the government and the Mayor of London.

What you may not know is that the school gets extra money into our account for all those children who fulfil certain criteria.

Please could everyone check on this link to see if you are entitled - if you are then we get extra money!

<https://pps.lgfl.org.uk/>

Mental Health Support

Considering the events in Israel and Gaza if any of our parents feel they need support for their mental health or well-being then please email d.moss@fitzjohns.camden.sch.uk or head@fitzjohns.camden.sch.uk and we can try to signpost you to relevant help.

Corporate Funding - can you help?

Are you working in one of the banks or one of the big tech companies (Google, Microsoft, Facebook)? We are looking to speak to parents who work there about some corporate funding opportunities for the school.

Please get in touch with:

Lee (Oscar's (Y2) and Rae's (N) dad): leefels79@gmail.com
or Nitzan (Roni's (Y5) dad): nitzanyudan@hotmail.com

Attendance

We continue to have a real drive to improve attendance.

Please try to book medical appointments out of school hours. Medical appointments count as absences (even if you child is here for most of the morning/afternoon).

If this is impossible then try to book the appointment at 10.30am or 2pm and bring your child to school then collect them (and bring them back afterwards). That way your child has been marked in the register.

Christmas Lunch Menu

Tuesday 19 December

Roast Turkey Breast
Chicken /veg sausage
Parsnip and sweet potato loaf
Roast potatoes
Stuffing & gravy
Carrots & peas

Chocolate frosted Christmas cake



STANDING ORDER MANDATE

To The Manager	
Bank Name	
Bank Address (optional)	
Bank Sort Code	
Bank Account Number	
Please Pay	
Payee Bank Name	Lloyds TSB
Payee Account Name	Fitzjohn's School Association
Payee Sort Code	30-93-80
Payee Account Number	00008235
Payment Amount (circle)	£30 £50 £100 £250 £500 Other: £
Frequency	STANDING ORDERS from my account as detailed in this instruction on the ___ day of every month
Date of First Payment	
Reference	Fitzjohn's Parents Appeal
Customer Details	
Print Name	
Signature	
Date	
Address	
Email	
Phone number	
GIFT AID IT—UK TAXPAYERS!	
<p>For every pound you give to us we get an extra 25p from the INLAND REVENUE so please sign below if you are a UK taxpayer*</p> <p>I am a UK taxpayer and under the GIFT AID scheme, I would like the Fitzjohn's School Association to claim back the tax on any donations I make until further notice OR have made in the past 4 years.</p> <p>Signature _____</p> <p><i>*To qualify for Gift Aid what you pay in UK income tax or capital gains tax must be at least equal to the amount we will claim in the tax year from the Inland Revenue. NB. Please notify us if you change your address. NB. You can cancel your standing order form at anytime.</i></p>	

PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED FORM TO THE FITZJOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL'S OFFICE.

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